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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Hon. Shoshana M. Grove, Secretary Postal Regulatory Commission 901 New York Avenue NW, Suite 200 Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

Dear Ms.Grove:

In connection with the Commission's rules pertaining to periodic reports, I have enclosed copies of the reports of Revenue, Pieces and Weight (RPW) by rate category and special service for Quarter 2 of Fiscal Year (FY) 2012. Each of these reports consists of two parts:

- Mailing Services (Market Dominant Products), Revenue, Pieces and Weight by Classes of Mail and Special Services for Quarter 2, Fiscal Year 2012, Compared with the Corresponding Period of Fiscal Year 2011, Public Report; and
- Shipping Services (Competitive Products), Revenue, Pieces and Weight by Classes of Mail and Special Services for Quarter 2, Fiscal Year 2012 Compared with the Corresponding Period of Fiscal Year 2011, Public Report.

The Quarter 2, FY2012, report implements two changes. First, the Parcel Select Lightweight category is established for the first time and reported as competitive. Second, competitive Post Office Box Rent reporting was increased substantially. The Quarter 2 report also adds footnotes relating to these changes and to the Quarter1, FY2012 change relating to First-Class Package Service. The following discussion describes these changes in more detail.

<u>Parcel Select Lightweight</u>: Following from the Commission's conditional approval of the transfer of commercial Standard Mail parcels to competitive with Order No. 689, on January 22, 2012, reporting for Parcel Select Lightweight began under the Parcel Select mail class.

Competitive Post Office Box Rents: On January 22, 2012, 6,800 Post Office Box locations joined the existing 49 locations on the competitive product list (Docket No. CP2012-2, Order No. 997). These Post Office Box locations were approved in Docket No. MC2012-20, Order 473. Revenue relating to this change now appears in the Post Office Box

Service line of the competitive Special Services section of the report, and a footnote has been added explaining this change.

I have enclosed a disk with machine-readable versions, consisting of one Excel file for each report containing both parts of these public reports. These electronic files may be posted on the internet.

As with prior reports in the recent past, I have included with the public versions of the RPW reports for Quarter 2 FY2102, restricted versions that disaggregate the international and domestic data pertaining to competitive products (**Restricted Report**). The Restricted Reports (Part 2 of the reports for Quarter 2 FY2012) do not redact information from the non-public versions of the reports, but present statistics in aggregated categories. The restricted reports are being provided on computer disk and in hard copy, and should not be made public. They have been marked as restricted and confidential.

The Postal Service believes that the material contained in the Restricted Reports that is not included in the public versions consists of information that would not be subject to mandatory disclosure pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act and Title 39, United States Code. My letter of September 29, 2009, which first transmitted the RPW report for Quarter 3, FY 2009 (in the revised format), included an "Application of the United States Postal Service for Non-Public Treatment of Materials" Pursuant to 39 C.F.R. § 3007.21. This document describes the information in the restricted versions that has been aggregated in the public versions, and presents the statutory basis for the Postal Service's request for confidentiality, as well as a description of the harm that would result from disclosure. This discussion should be incorporated by reference here.

If you have any questions regarding the changes described above or the reports for Quarter 2, FY2012, do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

cc: Ms. Taylor